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Having missed the 3:15 P.M. bus to Scranton two weeks ago, I was determined that I would make the 3:15 on the 4th, which I did. As I have been given to doing lately on my bus rides between Scranton and New York and New York and Scranton, I rested. Blissful rest. Everything was all set for the dinner on 11-06-1982 and so there was very little to do. I listened to Gurre-lieder and Petrouchka en route and that gave me a great deal of pleasure. WSP, of course, was waiting for me in Scranton. We rode home through the country and the ride was very relaxed and pleasant. It was very dark by 5 P.M. and that was strange. At the Homestead I ate dinner and set off for the meeting of the Nominating Committee of the CHS at 7:30 P.M. in Council Chambers of City Hall. Our task was to produce a slate of officers to be voted on by the collective organization on Saturday night. At the appointed hour I arrived at City Hall and Sue Stephens was there waiting. I was delighted to see her there. We chatted until the others arrived, namely: Kay and Oliver Shifler, and Joe Pascoe. Sue reported that on the preceding evening that she had attended a public meeting in the high school auditorium on the school strike issue. She spoke out very openly on behalf of ending the strike and she reported that Mary Lou Dearie and Nan Loftus and Joe Pascoe would probably never speak to her again. I applaud her speaking her own mind. One does have an opinion and one should make that opinion known. Sue Stephens lived in Hollywood for a number of years and has now returned to Carbondale to live. I think that she probably married someone and went to live in California and the marriage has now ended and she has returned to Carbondale to live. She is the new Publicity Chairperson for the CHS and that is good. She seems to have a natural ability to gather and disseminate news. Excellent. We need publicity and she will take care of it. The slate of officers, trustees and chairpersons that we came up with is shown on the attached page. The Shiflers suggested that the Board of Trustees of the CHS be as broadly-based as possible. An excellent idea. Get as many people as possible involved. I tried to get Oliver Shifler to accept the nomination as president but he would hear nothing of it. He insisted that I be slated for the presidency. Also at the meeting on Thursday night, I presented the program that I had drawn up for the dinner. Joe Pascoe seemed a little upset that I put him down for "Welcome" without having consulted him. He is feeling overburdened by the teachers' strike at Carbondale Area High School and does not want to take on any additional responsibility. He seems to have a predilection for doing only one thing at a time. He can not juggle several things at once, which is neither good nor bad but simply a statement of how things appear to be. As it turned out, Joe gave a very good "Welcome" to the dinner guests at Morrison's. At the beginning of the meeting, Oliver Shifler gave me a photograph of the Durfee tombstone in the Willowview Cemetery in Clifford. He and Kay had taken careful note of the inscriptions and stones in the Durfee plot and took a photograph of the site and gave it to me. Copies of the photograph and the page of notations are appended hereto. That seems to be a favorite thing for the Shiflers to do: to start out each meeting with a kind of show-and-tell. At one meeting, they brought a waste paper basket with a photograph of Memorial Park on it. It's a good idea, and a nice way to start a meeting I think. We, the Shiflers and I, agreed to meet at the CPL on Saturday morning at 10 A.M. to sort through the CHS materials and to select some plates and such for sale on Saturday

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night: Carbondale souvenir plates, Gravity Railroad souvenir plates, Carbondale bicentennial booklets, ribbons, pins, and so on, plus Carbondale Calendars 1983, as well as T-Shirts. The Shiflers were grand-in volunteering to telephone so many of the people who have been nominated to the officers' slate: at least ten people. The Shiflers, Joe Pascoe and Sue Stephens are all such good people to have involved in the organization. They are ready, willing and able to do a great deal. The more they are asked to do for the CHS the more they will do and the less I will have to do. The same with the Membership Committee--I must turn that whole operation over to Jean and Nan and Gloria. The Nominating Committee meeting lasted until about 9:30 P.M. and I went home at that time. Neither JVB nor Revak nor Tomaine were in attendance and so I did not have anyone to drink coffee with after the meeting and so I went to the Homestead. On Friday morning I went to town early and went to the Post Office and picked up the mail and went to the Carbondale News and arranged for the Calendar ad to appear in the NEWS of 11-10-1982 and 11-17-1982. While there I asked Rosemary Heth if she would be willing to serve on the Board of Trustees and she was delighted to be asked. "Are you sure that you don't want Phil and not me?" she asked. No, I said, we would like you to be on the Board of Trustees. She said that she would be glad to and that was that. I also made a deposit at the Liberty Bank for the CRCC and a deposit at the First National for SPI. I went down to the Goodwill store and Connie was deep into her usual Friday late-morning early-afternoon activity: re-stocking the store. The Scranton truck arrives on Friday and takes things away and adds things. She was very preoccupied and I told her that I would come back later in the day when the dust settled, so to speak, which I did. I went home with the mail and sat at the kitchen table and opened it and prepared the orders for mailing: calendar orders as well as back issues of NORTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA. The back orders were very gratifying. The Wayne County Historical Society wants 10 complete sets of NORTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA. That is 130 issues. That is the largest order yet received. Kutztown State College wants most of the back issues, and so on. It is very gratifying the number of back orders that have been received since NP suspended publication. Many people realize that it is a now-or-never situation. If they don't buy the copies now they may never have a chance to buy them and so they are taking action. It's all very gratifying. The number of Calendar orders for the week was a little disappointing. When I arrived in Carbondale on the 4th, the mechanicals and photographs for Volume III, Number 4 were there--they were on the bed in the room where I usually sleep (top of the stairs to the right). On Friday the mechanicals and photographs for Volume IV, Number 1 arrived and were delivered to Russell's house. After I prepared the calendar and back issue order I went into town and mailed them directly. It was a good idea to take care of the orders immediately. After I went to the Post Office with the orders, I went to Thomas' News Stand and Louise Thomas did not need any more Calendars and that disappointed me. She did not have a copy on display and that is the reason, I think. She kept them in a bag behind the counter. Not a good idea. At least one copy must be on display at all times. From Thomas' I went to the Goodwill Store and there sat JVB in a chair by the front door. "I've been waiting for you for two hours," said he. His mother doubtless told him that I was